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NEW JERSEY RACING COMMISSION

Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage for Horse

Racing Industry Employees Rules

Readoption: N.J.A.C. 13:73

Proposed: February 7, 2005 at 37 N.J.R. 421(a)

Adopted: May 20, 2005 by the New Jersey Racing Commission,

Frank Zanzuccki, Executive Director

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Authority: N.J.S.A. 34:15-129 et seq., specifically 34:15-133f.

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Expiration Date: June 17, 2010

Summary of Public Comments and Agency Responses:

COMMENT:

Barbara Sachau of New Jersey comments that there is no provision for funding for retirement of racehorses. Ms. Sachau also sees no reason for taxpayers to pay for the racing industry.

RESPONSE:

Not accepted. New Jersey is a workers' compensation insurance state and by law owners and trainers of race horses must obtain workers' compensation insurance for their employees.

Ms. Sachau's comments are not pertinent to these rules that provide for the purchase of

workers' compensation insurance on behalf of race horse owners. Funding for retirement of race horses is not provided for in these regulations because the law authorizing these regulations does not provide for such. However, other aspects of the law governing horse racing in this state does provide for such funding.

Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required because the rules proposed for readoption with amendments are authorized by the provisions of the New Jersey Horse Racing Injury Compensation Board Act, N.J.S.A. 13:15-129 et seq., and are not subject to any Federal requirements or standards.

The full text of the readoption can be found in the New Jersey Register at 37 N.J.R. 421(a).